

Amendments to the Claims:

1-70. (Canceled)

71. (Currently amended) ~~The vaccine composition of claim 69, wherein said vaccine is a recombinant staphylococcal enterotoxin B vaccine.~~ A particulate recombinant Staphylococcal enterotoxin B (rSEB) vaccine composition made by a method comprising:
atomizing a liquid rSEB formulation to produce an atomized formulation,
freezing said atomized rSEB formulation to form solid particles, and
drying said solid particles to produce discrete dried particles of said rSEB vaccine composition.

72-75. (Canceled)

76. (New) The vaccine composition of claim 71, wherein said discrete dried particles have a volume mean diameter of between about 35 μM and about 300 μM .

77. (New) The vaccine composition of claim 71, wherein said discrete dried particles have a volume mean diameter of between about 50 μM and about 100 μM .

78. (New) The vaccine composition of claim 71, wherein at least about 50% of said discrete dried particles have a volume diameter within about 80% of the mean.

79. (New) The vaccine composition of claim 71, wherein said discrete dried particles have a mean aerodynamic diameter of between about 8 μM and about 140 μM .

80. (New) The vaccine composition of claim 71, wherein said discrete dried particles have a mean aerodynamic diameter of between about 20 μM and about 70 μM .